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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Diego **Simancas** (Mexico)

I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 13 September 2006, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled "Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. At its 17th meeting, on 3 November 2006, the Fifth Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General on appointment of members of the Investments Committee (A/61/103);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General in which, in accordance with the provisions of article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, the Secretary-General, after consultation with the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, submitted for confirmation by the General Assembly the reappointment of three persons as members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2006 (A/C.5/61/6).

3. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it confirm the appointment of Emilio J. Cárdenas (Argentina), Fernando Chico Pardo (Mexico) and Khaya Ngqula (South Africa) as members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 (see para. 5 below).

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4. Also at the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly to reappoint Afsaneh Beschloss (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Ivan Pictet (Switzerland) as ad hoc members for a one-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 (see para. 6 below).

II. Recommendations of the Fifth Committee

5. The Fifth Committee recommends that the General Assembly confirm the appointment by the Secretary-General of the following persons as members of the Investments Committee for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007:

Emilio J. Cárdenas (Argentina)

Fernando Chico Pardo (Mexico)

Khaya Ngqula (South Africa)

6. The Committee also recommends that the General Assembly reappoint as ad hoc members for a one-year term beginning on 1 January 2007:

Afsaneh Beschloss (Islamic Republic of Iran)

Ivan Pictet (Switzerland)

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 13 September 2006, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-first session the item entitled "Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. At its 17th meeting, on 3 November, the Fifth Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the vacancies in the membership of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal that would occur as a result of the expiration of the term of office of two of its members on 31 December 2006 (A/61/104);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General containing the names of two persons nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 (A/C.5/61/7).

3. At the same meeting, the Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend to the General Assembly that it appoint Bob Hepple (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) and Jacqueline R. Scott (United States of America) as members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007 (see para. 4).

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Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

4. The Fifth Committee recommends that the General Assembly appoint the following persons as members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal for a four-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2007:

Mr. Bob Hepple (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Ms. Jacqueline R. Scott (United States of America)